MONTANA FISH, WILDLIFE & PARKS

INTERN PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT

EMPLOYER: Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks

CONTACT PERSON'S NAME/TITLE: Chris Hammond/Wildlife Biologist

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DATE OF ANNOUNCEMENT: Monday, January 9, 2012

APPLICATION DEADLINE: Thursday, March 1, 2012 at 5:00 PM (postmarked)

STUDENTS MUST BE CURRENTLY ENROLLED IN A UNIVERSITY/COLLEGE

POSITION TITLE: Nongame Intern # OF POSITIONS: 1

LOCATION(S): Kalispell, MT

WORK START/END DATES: Approximate dates May 10th – August 10th HOURS/WEEK: 40

TRAINING/ORIENTATION DATES: Approximately April 30th

COMPENSATION (PAY, PER DIEM, HOUSING, VEHICLE, ETC):

\$8.50 – \$9/hr (depending on previous experience and funding) plus per diem at state rates. *There is no overtime for this position, paid holidays, or additional compensation for working on holidays or weekends*. This position will be based out of Kalispell and sometimes requires overnight camping in remote locations throughout Region 1. If a state/federal vehicle is not available, individuals may need to use personal vehicle for part or all of summer. Interns would be compensated for mileage at approximately \$0.50/mile.

POSITION DESCRIPTION:

The intern will, in coordination with local biologists, conduct nongame surveys and inventories throughout Region 1. Interns may also help with management and habitat work on local WMAs, conservation easements or other important wildlife areas. Work may include pit fall sampling for invertebrates. Depending on applicant's skill, aptitude, and interest, point count surveys for songbirds may be conducted. Contact Chris Hammond in Region One for more details on intern position duties after January 16th, 2012.

SKILLS, ABILITIES, KNOWLEDGE NEEDED (EDUCATION; UNDERGRAD/GRAD LEVEL, SUGGESTED/REQUIRED MAJORS):

Basic knowledge and understanding of biology, wildlife biology, ornithology, or wildlife management is required. Applicant should be capable of identifying various reptiles, amphibians, birds, and small

mammals by sight, sound, and tracks. Effective communication skills both verbal and written are required. This position may require the applicant to work and communicate with professional biologists, other interns, wildlife technicians, and personnel from other agencies. The ability to work both in a team and independently is required. Basic map reading skills, GPS skills, and the ability to hike and navigate in remote areas is required. The ability to accurately collect and record data is required. The ability to use 4-wheel drive vehicles and motorized or non-motorized field equipment is preferred.

<u>APPLICATION MATERIALS/PROCEDURES (RESUME, COVER LETTER, REFERENCES, ETC.):</u>

Submit 1 digital copy of current **resume** identifying experience and skills related to the intern position description with list of 3 reference contacts. Also send **cover or transmittal letter** explaining the reasons for your interest in the internship, personal vehicle that you may have for use if needed, and why you are qualified to do the work. Send above to Chris Hammond, Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks, 490 N. Meridian Rd. Kalispell, MT 59901 or to chammond@mt.gov no later than 5:00 pm on March 1, 2011. Selection will generally be made within 2 weeks of closing date.

COOPERATING SPONSORS OF PROJECT:

Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks Region 1 Wildlife, Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks Region 1 Mitigation Program), Kootenai Tribes of Idaho, Northwest Power and Conservation Council, Columbia Basin Fish and Wildlife Authority